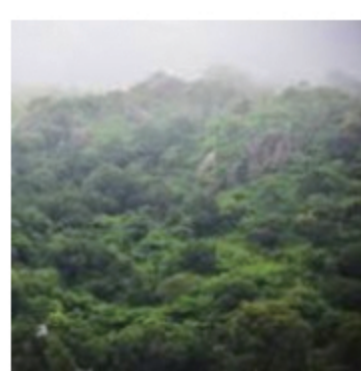


Global Governance and Ecological Civilization



Ministerial on Climate Action Links Pandemic Recovery to Climate and Biodiversity Agendas

July 14th, IISD SDG Knowledge Hub - The EU, Canada, and China co-hosted the fourth Ministerial on Climate Action (MoCA), which provided an online discussion space on climate cooperation and decisions on directions and investments during COVID-19 recovery. Ministers and representatives of more than 30 countries participated in the discussion, which focused on how recovery and stimulus plans can advance climate action and accelerate progress towards our longer-term climate goals. The meeting was co-chaired by the European Commission's Executive Vice-President, Frans Timmermans (CCICED Council Member), the Canadian Minister for Environment and Climate Change Jonathan Wilkinson (CCICED Executive Vice-Chair), and China's Minister for Ecology and Environment Huang Runqiu. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



New date for the Convention on Biodiversity set for May 2021

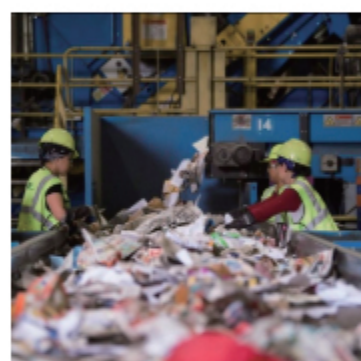
July 16th, CGTN - Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, announced in a letter on July 14 the revised dates for the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP-15) and other related meetings. Originally scheduled to October 2020 in China's Kunming, the COP-15 was rescheduled to May 17-30 in 2021 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Green Urbanization and Environment Improvement



China Says Yangtze River Fishing Is No Longer Viable and Installs a Ban

July 15th, Bloomberg - China will impose a 10-year ban on fishing in some key parts of the Yangtze from next year to protect biodiversity along the Asia's longest river. The move means more than 100,000 fishing vessels will be made redundant and some 300,000 fish farmers will have to be relocated, vice agriculture minister Yu Kangzhen said. Increased human activity in recent years has damaged biodiversity in the area. Rare and endemic fish populations have shrunk, while commercial fish resources have been exhausted. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



DWS and International Environment Group Announce Investment for Expansion of Waste Management Operations in China

July 16th, BusinessWire - DWS, one of the world's leading asset managers, announced today that a sustainable investments private equity fund advised by the firm has invested \$23 million USD in International Environment Group Limited (IEG). The company has supplied environmental equipment and services in more than 30 countries over the past 20 years, and is now applying its expertise and experience in China, where the waste management market is projected to reach \$82.42B USD by 2025. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Innovation, Sustainable Production and Consumption



The entire world's carbon emissions will finally be trackable in real time

July 16th, Vox - The lack of reliable data leads to endless time spent haggling over monitoring, reporting, and verification, and a persistent background level of mutual suspicion. In late 2015, just before the 2016 international climate negotiations in Morocco, China revealed that it had underestimated the amount of coal it burned by 17 percent — one billion tons of additional greenhouse gas emissions, equal to the emissions of Germany's entire energy sector. The ultimate solution to this problem — the killer app, as it were — would be real-time tracking of all global greenhouse gases, verified by objective third parties, and available for free to the public. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



Linde-China Power MoU to develop green hydrogen in China

July 16th, Linde Press Release - Linde and Beijing Green Hydrogen Technology Development, a subsidiary of China Power International Development, will jointly promote the application and development of green hydrogen in China as part of a new deal. Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), the two companies will collaborate on a variety of green hydrogen initiatives, including hydrogen technology research and development, and the implementation of green hydrogen mobility solutions during China's inaugural hosting of the 2022 Winter Olympics. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Green Energy, Investment and Trade



National green development fund company established in Shanghai

July 16th, Xinhua News - The National Green Development Fund Co., Ltd. was jointly launched by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Ecology and Environment and Shanghai Municipality. The funds raised by the company will be directed to investment fields such as pollution control, ecological restoration, afforestation of national land, conservation of energy and resources, green transportation and clean energy. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



Paper-based Packaging The Obvious Choice

July 16th, Forest and Wood Sector Forum Press Release - The OECD estimates annual global plastics waste generation at 258 million tonnes per annum. The traditional 'linear' manufacturing approach of produce > use > dispose needs to change to a 'circular' model. Countries are reflecting their commitments to a circular economy in practical ways. China has banned the import of contaminated materials for recycling, obliging exporting nations (including NZ) to look inwards at their systems of consumption and recycling. [FULL ARTICLE](#)